

## DEVELOPMENT OF UPPER MACKENZIE

TRADE FACILITATED BY  
WIRELESS SYSTEM.

Hunting, Health of Inhabitants  
and Schools Satisfactory  
—Increase in Wild Buffalo  
Herd.

Trade and civilization are steadily, if slowly, advancing down the Mackenzie valley, and the inhabitants of that extensive region are being brought more into touch each year with the outside world. An officer of the North West Territories and Yukon Branch of the Department of the Interior made an inspection of the Upper Mackenzie and the Great Slave Lake districts during the past summer and reported conditions of transportation, trade, hunting, health of inhabitants, education, etc., satisfactory, and the herd of wild wood buffalo, which has its habitat in the country west of Fort Smith, to be thriving and increasing in number.

The route of travel into the country is by railway from Edmonton to Waterways, thence by boat down the Athabasca and Slave rivers to Great Slave Lake and the Mackenzie river. A good deal of the inspection work on this occasion was done by means of a gasoline launch in visiting such points as Resolution and Hay River at the south-west end of Great Slave Lake, Providence on the Mackenzie river, and Yellowknife and Fort Rae on the north arm of Great Slave Lake. Care had to be exercised in the navigation of such a small boat across the wide stretches of the lake. Navigation has, however, been improved by aids in the form of buoys and beacons and by the building of wharves at Chipewyan and Resolution. The fur-bearing animals during last winter were reported to be about the average in number. The hospitals and schools are efficiently conducted and the number of pupils has increased. Wherever cultivation was carried on garden vegetables and flowers were growing in profusion, and at several points where there were farms, cereals and roots promised a good yield. Prospecting for minerals, including petroleum, is steadily prosecuted but no large "strikes" have been recorded recently.

Wireless Station at Simpson. One of the most important developments of the year was the establishment of a wireless communication. When this is fully completed working communication can be maintained between Dawson, Yukon Territory and Edmonton. This will be of great service to all persons having business in the Territories, and it is expected that as soon as regular communication is established, wireless apparatus will be installed on the steamers plying the Mackenzie so that all travellers will be in receipt of daily news from the outside world. The loss of the Hudson's Bay Company ship the Lady Kennedy, which was caught in the ice north of Point Barrow, Alaska, with a complete wireless outfit for Herchel, will delay the erection of that station, but will not affect the operation of the other four stations at Dawson, Mayo, Simpson, and Edmonton. The first two have been in operation for a year and the last two will be in operation and prepared to accept commercial and other messages about the end of October.

### How Many Violins Did Stradivarius Make?

How many violins did Stradivarius make during his long and busy life? Of course there is no possible way of ascertaining the exact number. One authority sets it at 2,000. Another, after much historical research, puts the number at 1,116 instruments. Of this 540 violins, 12 violas and 50 cellos are said to have survived. This makes a total of 602 Strads known to be in existence at the present day if the figures are correct, and leaves 514 unaccounted for. It is these 514 unaccounted for Strads that interest the man who finds an old fiddle in his attic bearing the magic name of Stradivarius on its musty label pasted inside the fiddle. He jumps to the conclusion that he has found one of those unaccounted for, and sees visions of wealth in the near future.

Stradivarius besides being the premier violin maker of the world, was a miracle of industry, for we find him still busy engaged in making violins at the age of 94. He left quite a number of violins unfinished at his death, many of which were completed by his pupils.

There is an infinitesimal proportion of real Strads not previously known to be in existence among the millions of imitations scattered over the world, just as there are a few large pearls in a mountain of oyster shells, but it is like looking for the proverbial needle in a haystack to find one.

#### Painful Pity.

An old farmer went to the dentist to have an aching molar removed. The operation was completed, and the patient then instructed the tooth drawer to remove the next one. "It isn't necessary," explained the dentist. "That one only aches in sympathy." "Thank it out, then," growled the farmer. "Darn such sympathy as that."

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### Surnames and Their Origin

**RUSSELL**  
Variations—Roussel, Rouse, Russ.  
Racial Origin—Norman-French.  
Source—A nickname.

The family name of Russell is, in a sense, akin to that of Reid, and its variations, Reed and Read. It comes from an old English word meaning "red," which, however, was of Norman rather than Anglo-Saxon speech. This word was "rouse," and has survived to-day only as "russel," with a



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meaning "brownish-red" somewhat different from the original. As might be expected it was, together with the sobriquet "le Red," just about as widespread as red hair was, for apparently there is no personal characteristic which the human eye singles out more quickly in a man to differentiate him from his fellows than a red head.

The name "le Rouse" and "le Ruse" appears frequently in the old records, the so-called "Hundred Rolls," the "Munimenta Gild Lallac Londonensis" (Minutes of the London Guildhall), etc.

An explanation for the name Ruse, which form is also found among the old records, but an explanation which probably has little foundation of fact, is that this name was derived from the nationality of one of the original bearers; in other words, that it means "the Russian." While a great many names are known positively to have taken their origin from nationality, the evidence is against the claim in this case, for it was not customary among the medieval English who knew little of the lands to the east of them beyond the shores of Germany, to make any distinction between the races inhabiting them, all of whom they referred to as Estlinges, or Easterlings. This objection, however, does not apply to the explanation in cases where the name has come to the United States from other countries.

**PALMER**

Variations—None.

Racial Origin—Medieval English.

Source—Descriptive.

Palmer is a very appropriate family name for a crusader. Its origin is traced straight back with little variation or change to the days when the spirit of fighting religion swept over all Europe and crusade after crusade was launched at the Turk with the object of winning back the Holy Land.

One very old English document, dating from Norman-French days, gives a list of names, among which is one Hervey le Palmer. Another mentions a Geoffrey le Palmer, while an old document of Parliament speaks of John le Palmer. Harvill the Palmer, Geoffrey the Palmer and John the Palmer.

A palmer, of course, was one who carried a palm leaf. It wasn't considered a silly thing to do in those days, any more than it is considered silly to-day for the soldier to wear his campaign stripes or other insignia denoting service in the army or navy or membership in a society or lodge. The palmer was one who had made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, either as a warrior fighting the Turk or simply as a traveler actuated by religious fervor.

The descriptive appellation of palmer quite naturally developed into a family name on a very large scale. In the first place, there were many pilgrims. In the second place, the man who had made the pilgrimage was likely to be considered the most important member of his family for several generations before and after, and his family to perpetuate his name to the extent of its being permanently accepted in the course of years as the family name.

### EASILY FATIGUED AND DESPONDENT

A Condition Known as General  
Debility Due to Watery Blood.

General debility is a term used to describe a weak and run down condition of the system. Debility may come from a number of causes. The after-effects of acute illness, lack of nourishment due to poor digestion, overwork or worry, or anything that makes the blood thin, thereby preventing it from carrying nourishment and health to the tissues of the body. The symptoms of debility vary, but weakness is always present, often a tendency to be easily fatigued, spots passing before the eyes, weak back, dizziness, wakefulness caused by inability to stop thinking, and unrefreshing sleep.

Mr. Lorenza L. Gamache, Rockland, Ont., was a severe sufferer from this trouble and tells how he found release. He says: "Two years ago I was in that condition which medical men call general debility. I made periodical visits to Montreal for fourteen months to undergo electric treatment. At the end of this time I was feeling well and thought with wonder that I would continue in good health. But in the course of a month or so the symptoms came back more acute than ever. I lost appetite and could hardly sleep during the night, and what sleep I had was disturbed and restless. I had headaches and the least effort was telling on my nerves. I always felt pains somewhere, and had to lose much time. After suffering for three months, trying various things without good results, I was terribly depressed and would not be without Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in the home, and strongly recommended them to all who suffer from a depressed system and the aches that follow."

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Most Unfortunate.

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Bagshaw was among the party of inspection.

"Well, Bagshaw," said Huskisson, as he proudly showed off the younger child, "what do you think of that for a strapping lad?" Bagshaw made no reply.

"Think he looks like me?" persisted Huskisson.

"He's well—or—ha—um—um—well, Huskisson, I'll tell you, to tell you the truth, I'm afraid he does."

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### She Knew Sheep.

After the city-bred young woman was put in charge of a country school, to the class in arithmetic she said: "Now, children, if there are ten sheep on one side of a fence and one jumps over, how many sheep will be left?"

"No sheep, teacher," answered a low-headed little lass of ten summers. "Oh, no!" cried the city young woman, reproachfully. "You are not so stupid as that! Think again. If there were ten sheep on one side of the fence and one sheep jumped over, nine sheep would be left. Don't you see that?"

"No! no!" persisted the child. "If one sheep jumped over, all the others would jump after it. My father keeps sheep."

### Michael Was Mystified.

Michael's mother had married again, and though Michael did not object to his new father, he was somewhat puzzled as to the relationship.

"Mother," he said, "is this man my stepfather?"

"Yes, dear; he's your stepfather."

"Well, mother," continued the child, "you call me your little lad."

"Yes, dearie, you are mamma's little lad."

"Then, mother," continued Michael, "I suppose I must be my stepfather's little stepfather."

### Couldn't Be Mistaken.

An American woman went to Scotland to visit some friends. When she returned one of her friends accompanied her.

As they neared New York the American woman said: "In a little while we shall see Sandy Hook."

"Oh!" said her Scottish friend. "Do not tell me when, because I am sure I would know a Scotsman anywhere."

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### Very Appropriate.

At a choir practice a new chant was being rehearsed. After a few verses of the Psalm had been sung the choir-master called out: "No, no! that's all wrong; take the chant through again. Can't you see it goes differently in the last bar? No, no! wrong again! Well, we must get along with it. Now, then, next time: 'O, ye fools, when will ye understand!'"

### GUARD THE CHILDREN FROM AUTUMN COLDS

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### Clockwork.

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